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Dear Sir:

PETITION TO WITHDRAW FROM ISSUE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(C)(2)

Applicant hereby petitions for the withdrawal of this application from issue. The issue fee for this case was paid on March 3, 2005.

The reason for the request for withdrawal from issue is to permit consideration of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR § 1.114.

The petition fee in the amount of \$130.00 (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h)) is submitted herewith. If there are any additional fees due in connection with the filing of this Petition, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account 50-1068.

Respectfully submitted,

MARTIN & FERRARO LLP

Date: June 9, 2005

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In re application of: Gary K. Michelson Serial No: 10/736,866

Filed: December 16, 2003

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FUSION IMPLANT HAVING AN ASYMMETRICAL LEADING END AND METHOD OF INSTALLATION THEREOF

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Transmitted herewith is a Petition to Withdraw From Issue Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)(2), Request for Continued Examination (RCE), and Amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.

Applicant hereby requests a ***month extension of time to respond to the above office action.

An Information Disclosure Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b) and Form PTO 1449 are enclosed.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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- The total amount of \$2,220.00 to cover the \$130 Petition fee, \$790 RCE fee, and \$1,300 additional claims fee is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1068.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies of fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1068. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.
 - Any filing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims
 - Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17

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